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1. WE DISCUSSED SUBJECT MEETING AND OUTLINED US

POSITION ON REVISION OF PARIS CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY AS STATED PARAS 3 AND 4 REFTEL WITH MICHAEL HILTON, UN DEPARTMENT, FCO. HE STATED HEAD OF UK PATENT OFFICE HAS ALREADY BEEN TELEPHONED BY HIS US COUNTERPART CONCERNING UNCTAD MEETING AND HE HAS EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT FOR US POSITION. HILTON AGREED TO TELEPHONE UK UNCTAD DE/ AT 1230 GMT, AUGUST 12 AND INSTRUCT HIM TO COOPERATE IN DEVELOPING COMMON GROUP B POSITION.

2. HILTON ADDED THAT UK UNCTAD DEL HAS NOT REPORTED ON POSSIBILITY OF RESOLUTION ON PARIS CONVENTION COMING OUT OF TDB MEETING. HE WILL QUERY THEM FURTHER ON THIS WHEN PASSING ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS.

3. HILTON STATED UK AGREES FULLY WITH OUR FIRST POSITION THAT REVISION OF PARIS CONVENTION FALLS CLEARLY AND EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN JURISDICTION OF WIPO. HE FEELS THIS IS SO WELL ACCEPTED BY GROUP B THAT DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMON POSITION SHOULD BE QUITE EASY. HE SUGGESTED, HOWEVER, THAT TACTICS OF POSTPONEMENT ENVISAGED IN US FALL-BACK POSITION MAY POSE SOME PROBLEMS -- PARTICULARLY IF INITIAL OBJECTIONS ARE OVERWHELMINGLY SWEEP ASIDE.

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